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Tag	What it defines	Example	Usage
	A comment	This is a comment Use comments to explain your HTML code	
<br DOCTYPE>	The document type	html	This must be the first line in your HTML document. It has no closing tag.
<a>	A hyperlink	 See Paris	The most important attribute of the <a> element is the href attribute, which indicates the link's destination.
<body></body>	The document's body	<body> (content) </body>	The <body> element contains all the contents of an HTML document, such as text, hyperlinks, images, etc.</body>
	Line break	 	This tag has no closing tag
<div></div>	A section in the document	<div id="container"><h1>Eiffel Tower</h1> </div>	The <div> element is usually used with CSS to lay out a web page</div>
<form></form>	An HTML form for user input	<pre><form id="subscribe-form"> <label for="Firstname">Firstname: </label> <input name="firstname" type="text"/></form></pre>	The <form> element can contain form elements such as <label> and <input/></label></form>
<h1> to <h6></h6></h1>	HTML headings	<h1>This is heading 1</h1> <h2>This is heading 2</h2>	h1 to h6 have default sizes, which you can change if you need to. Use only for headings - not just to make text large or bold.
<head></head>	A container for all the head elements	<html> <head><title>Paris</title> </head></html>	The <head> element must include a title for the document and can include styles and scripts.</head>
<hr/>	Draws a horizontal line	<hr/>	Use to separate two parts of the text or separate topics
<html></html>	Tells the browser that this is an HTML document	html <html></html>	Place under html , above <head></head>
	An image		Use to place an image
	A paragraph	Explore Paris	Browsers automatically add some space before and after each element. tags are used for the content of a web page
<style></td><td>Style information for a document</td><td><style>body {background-color: grey;} h1 {color: white; font-size: 24pt;}</td><td><style> is written in the <head> section and defines all the styles for the document</td></tr></tbody></table></style>			

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<title></th><th>A title for the document</th><th><title>Eiffel Tower</title>	The title is displayed at the top of the window		

CSS Property	Description	Example	Usage			
/* */	A CSS comment	/* This is a comment */	Use comments to explain your CSS code			
Background and dimension properties						
backgroun d-color	Sets the background colour of an element such as body, p or an id selector e.g. #header	<pre>p{background-color: #0000FF;} #header{ background- color:gray}</pre>	The colour can be defined by name or in hexadecimal, e.g. blue = #0000FF			
width	Sets the width of an element (height sets height)	<pre>#container{width=100%;}</pre>	Using a percentage instead of an absolute width makes the web page responsive			
max-width	Sets the maximum width of an element (see also max-height, min-height, min-width)	#container{max-width: 800px;}	However wide the screen the element will never be wider than 800px			
Font propert	Font properties					
font-family	Specifies the font-family for text	Body{font-family: Arial, Verdana, sans-serif;}	If the browser does not support the first font listed, it tries the second, then the third etc.			
font-size	Specifies the font size for text	p{font-size: 200%;}	The font is set to twice the default size for p			
font	Specifies all the font properties in one declaration	p{font: bold italic 20px arial,sans-serif}	Can set font size in px or pt (pt size is larger than px)			
color	Specifies the font color	p{color: lightblue;}	Can also use hex codes for color: color: #ccff00;			
Margin, border and padding properties						
margin	Sets all the margin properties in one declaration (left, right, top, bottom) in px, pt, cm etc.	h2{margin:20px} #container{margin: auto;}	The margin defines the space outside a border; it is completely transparent. auto gives a default margin			
border	Sets all the border properties in one declaration. (border-width, border-style	h1{border:5px solid gray;} body{dotted black;}	It does not matter if one of the values is missing.			

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	and border-color)					
padding	Sets all the padding properties in one declaration	#navbar{padding: 5px;}	Defines the space round the content inside a border			
Positioning properties						
float	Lets an element float to the left or right	img {float:right;}	Use this to position an image to the right of text			
Text properties						
color	Sets the colour of text	h1{color: white; font-size: 24pt;} a:link{color: #0000FF;}	The colour can be defined by name or in hexadecimal, e.g. #0000FF is blue			
text-align	Specifies horizontal alignment	p{text-align: center;}	Use this to align text left, right or centre			